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WHAT THE DEMOCRATS HAVE DONE FOR THE FARMER

What Congress and the administration have done for the farmer is outlined at length in a letter from President Wilson to Representative Lever, of South Carolina, chairman of the House Committee on Agriculture, made public at the White House. The President formally announces the signing of the agricultural appropriation bill, marking "the practical completion of an important part of the programme for the betterment of rural life, which was mapped out at the beginning of the administration," and conveys to Mr. Lever and his associates in both houses his appreciation of their services to the nation. Summing up the record, he mentions increased appropriations for the support of agriculture; efforts to foster production; the co-operative agricultural extension act; creation of the office of markets and rural organization; the cotton futures act; the grain standard act; the Federal Warehouse act; the good roads law, and the Federal reserve and farm loan acts.—Springfield Herald.

NEW YORK SPORT SOUNDLY CANED

True chivalry is not dead. Even in cosmopolitan New York. The case in question involved Mrs. Benton McMillin, of Nashville, wife of former governor Benton McMillin, present minister to Peru.

The incident occurred in the Hotel Gramatan, New York. Mrs. McMillin, it is stated, was insulted by Alexander Carver, a young clubman, and B. F. Boggy, of St. Louis taught 19-year-old Carver the lesson of his life. He taught him with a cane, and none denied the justice of the severe reproof.

According to the New York American, young Carver tried to flirt with Mrs. McMillin. Mr. Boggy, who is a St. Louis millionaire, saw the embarrassing predicament the wife of the minister to Peru was placed in, and after warning the young man, who paid no heed, struck him with a cane. Mrs. McMillin left immediately after the unfortunate incident, and Carver was hurried to a physician's office, where his wounds were dressed.

Mr. Boggy said he did what any other man would have done, that he had just sat down at the table occupied by Mrs. McMillin and her brother, Thomas Foster, of New Orleans, when he saw Carver's actions. He said the gestulations were aimed at Mrs. McMillin, that he remonstrated with the young man, and finally, after Carver persisted, struck him.

Mrs. McMillin appeared in the police court when the trouble was brought up. The case was settled to the satisfaction of all concerned.—Tennessean and American, Aug. 27.

Farmers' Institute in Jackson on Wed., Thurs., Fri., Sept. 6, 7, 8

The West Tennessee Annual Farmers' Institute will convene in Jackson on Wednesday of next week and will last three days. The Institute will be held on the grounds and in the commodious auditorium of the West Tennessee Agricultural Experiment Station, where the delegates can find plenty of good water and other conveniences. The State farm grounds are now reached by the Jackson street railway, which does away with the former expense of having to pay for private conveyances.

A very elaborate program of the Institute has been furnished us,

WEST TENNESSEE IS SOLID FOR GOVERNOR T. C. RYE

Memphis, Tenn., Aug. 26.—From every section of West Tennessee comes the news that Democrats on this side of the Tennessee river are enthusiastically behind Gov. Rye for re-election.

No dissenting note comes from anywhere. A few months ago it was predicted that Gov. Rye would get the normal vote in West Tennessee. Now it seems that he will get an increased majority in West Tennessee.

The fact is that months ago the best political observers saw a normal campaign in Tennessee this year. They saw all the nominees from president on down running along smoothly and a majority of from 20,000 to 25,000 throughout the state in November.

There is nothing now to change this view, except that the majority may be increased.

During the last six years the November elections have been complicated by legislative elections which have distracted and annoyed the gubernatorial nominees.

There will be none of those this year. The so-called independents, who rose to power during the Hooper administration, are now fighting their battles within the Democratic party.

Candidates for the legislature are nominated as they were in the old days, and they are getting the old time majorities. It is doubtful whether there will be a Democratic nominee for the legislature in West Tennessee this year opposed by an independent Democrat, certainly not by an independent Democrat of the Hooper persuasion.

The Republicans in West Tennessee are thoroughly down in the mouth. The failure of the Hughes speaking tour has indicated to them that Wilson will be re-elected. They see absolutely no chance for the election of John Overall, the Republican candidate for governor.

Former Gov. Hooper, the Republican candidate for the senate, is making no headway against Congressman McKellar, the Democratic nominee.

Congressman McKellar will take the stump and make an active campaign for the Democratic ticket.

A New York concern has sued the Tennessee Copper Company for failure to deliver a large quantity of carboric crystals and sulphuric acid at contract, the damages asked being nearly a million dollars. The price of sulphuric acid has advanced from \$35 a ton to \$80 and the carboric crystals from 90 cents to \$1.25 per pound. The Tennessee Copper Company may be going on the idea "darn honor when money is at stake."

STRIKE IS SETTLED---GOV. RYE WINS AND AGREES WITH M'KELLAR ON CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE. ALL IS LOVELY

In violation of time honored custom in Tennessee, the State Democratic Executive Committee had elected its chairman, which election carried with it direction of the campaign in the State. Gov. T. C. Rye had insisted in his right to name his own political manager and continued to stand pat on that right and demand until Monday when the Committee held a meeting in Nashville so far acceded to the demands of the Governor that a new campaign committee was formed, with Thad. A. Cox, of Johnson City, being made vice-chairman and endowed with equal powers with Chairman L. D. Hill, who had been elected chairman over the protest or against the wishes of Gov. Rye, who had expressed a preference for Cox.

Ernest Rice, L. R. Gwinn and Thad. A. Cox resigned from the campaign

committee and when the new committee was formed and declared satisfactory to both Gov. Rye and K. D. McKellar, candidate for the Senate, it was composed as follows: L. D. Hill, Chairman, Thad. A. Cox, Vice-Chairman, Mann Wills, Treasurer, J. D. Jacobs, Secretary and R. E. L. Bynum, Assistant Secretary. Tom Lytle, of Murfreesboro made the motion; which acted as pouring oil on the troubled waters and made everything smooth sailing for the Democratic nominees.

The Progress stood with Gov. Rye when he went on strike against the action of the State Committee, and now congratulates him on winning enough of his contention to remove all friction in the conduct of the campaign for the election of himself, Mr. McKellar and Mr. Enloe.

Paper Prices Increase; Great Famine Is Feared

The price of paper, which has advanced from 100 to 200 per cent or more, over prices prevailing a year ago, seriously threatens the life of a large number of publications throughout the country and greatly lessens the profits of others.

It is doubtful if any other large industry in the United States has had to face so serious a situation, because when prices of raw materials have advanced the manufacturers of the finished products have advanced their prices and thus thrown the burden on the ultimate consumer. In the newspaper business this has not yet been done. The newspapers, from the largest dailies to the smallest weeklies, have been bearing the burden which to many publications will mean complete destruction and to many others the wiping out of all profit.

Had the newspapers of the country been as prompt to defend their own interests as they have the interests of others, they, too, would before this have undertaken to save themselves by an advance in subscription price and in advertising rates. Under existing conditions they will be forced to do this sooner

or later, and they can not postpone it much longer without serious financial embarrassment to many of them. Hundreds of the smaller weeklies, including the religious papers, which have had but a very narrow margin between loss and profit, will, we fear, suffer most seriously, and many of them disastrously, unless the public promptly recognizes the situation and accepts an advance in subscription and in advertising rates and thus saves the situation.

The day laborer, the mechanic, the farmer and nearly all business interests, manufacturing and mercantile, under the activity of the times, are showing larger earnings than for years. But the newspapers, as a whole, are meeting a more perplexing problem in the doubling, and in some cases the trebling, of price of paper, and in the absolute inability to contract in advance for supplies, than they have ever had to face before. The statements which have recently appeared in the daily papers on the subject do not at all exaggerate the seriousness of the problem.

PRES. WILSON'S WISE DECISION

Concerning President Wilson's purpose not to make a speaking tour of the country in behalf of his re-election, the Courier-Journal has this to say:

The President is wise in abandoning the purpose to make a campaign tour of the country, if at any time he has entertained it. There are many good reasons against it, chief of which is that, whilst propriety would seem to interdict, no exigency requires it. The precedents are dead against it. The splendid speeches of Stephen A. Douglas in 1860 did not make him votes, and the swing around the circle of James G. Blaine in 1884 lost him the election. Mr. Hughes is weaker today than he was when he set out upon his scolding crusade and he will lengthen the distance between himself and the White House every mile he travels. He has said never a word to help the Republicans, or hurt the Democrats. He has shown

the lawyer's lack of political instinct at the same time that he has lowered his dignity and lessened his reputation. Mr. Wilson can afford to give him all the rope he will take. He should pay no attention to his cackle—not even mention his name. The record is already made up. The administration must stand or fall by it. The President has attorneys enough to talk for him and need not stoop to plead his own cause. Let him from the portico of Shadow Lawn give the country a frank, statesmanlike exposition of his hopes and aims, leaving the past to speak for itself, and thereupon stand pat with the calm assurance of the believing Christian who holds four aces and a razor!

The Jackson Sun reports that Frank Crawford, an experienced farmer of the Forked Deer park section of Madison county, is authority for the statement that the boll weevil has made its appearance in that county. He says the weevil is somewhat on the order of a beetle, with long, slim neck and sharp beak.

GIBSON COUNTY FACES SHAKE-UP IN ITS SCHOOLS

Trenton, Tenn., Aug. 25.—The Gibson County Educational association, an organization composed of Gibson county teachers; will hold a special session at the courthouse Saturday afternoon, at which time questions of vital importance to the welfare and progress of the public schools of the county will be discussed. Although a general program has been arranged for the occasion, it is understood that the prime object for this calling of the meeting is to discuss the present, or the "secondary," system under which the schools are being operated. This proposition, which commanded a great deal of attention in the county in the past winter and spring, has recently been revived and given new impetus by a letter from State Superintendent S. W. Sherrill to Trustee B. F. Lemond, in which the state superintendent advises Mr. Lemond with regard to the cashing of warrants for teachers. The gist of this letter is to the effect that it is unlawful to pay teachers other than those who are teaching only elementary grades out of the public school funds. In other words, the trustee would stand in defiance of the law should he cash warrants for teachers who are unemployed in secondary department of any of the public schools of the county.

Be a Booster.

"Boost your neighbor, boost your friend;
Boost the church that you attend;
Boost the farm on which you're dwelling;
Boost the goods that you are selling;
Boost the people around about you;
But success will quicker find them;
If they know you are behind them;
Boost for every forward movement,
Boost for every new improvement;
Boost the stranger and the neighbor;
Boost the man for whom you labor;
Cease to be a chronic knocker;
Cease to be a progress-blocker;
If you'd make your rownship better,
Boost it to the final letter.
Stop your knocking! Boost!"—Anonymous.

While candidate Mr. Hughes is welcome to Tennessee, we are inclined to believe the trip about as poor a political investment as the gentleman has made or will make during the presidential campaign.

After Long Consideration Bulgaria Casts Fortunes with Entente Allies

The formal declaration of war against Austria-Hungary at the first of this week by Rumania, marks the fourteenth nation to enter the conflict which is making much of Europe a field of carnage and in many ways affects the whole world, including many of the civilized and half civilized countries.

The taking up of arms by Rumania on the side of the entente allies opens to Russia a way to attack Bulgaria from the North and is looked upon as perhaps the final straw which will break the back of the German camel.

BRAKEMAN DIES; RESULT OF FALL FROM BOX CAR

Ernest D. Scott, 40 years old, a brakeman for the Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis railway, who fell from a freight train near Camden Thursday morning, while en route to Nashville, died at Burch's infirmary early Friday morning from internal injuries.

Scott fell from the train while it was running at fast speed and was rendered unconscious. He fell through a trestle. He was brought to Nashville by trainmen. The remains were later removed from the hospital to the undertaking establishment of Dorris, Karsch & Co., and prepared for burial.

Mr. Scott lived with his wife and five-year-old child at the Laurel apartment. He was the son of Dr. W. S. Scott, of Dickson, and was well known. He was a member of the Order of Railway Trainmen and had many friends among his fellow workmen.

The body was taken to Dickson on the 7 o'clock train, where the burial took place.—Tennessean and American, Aug. 28.

Our townsman Hon. D. E. Scott received news of the death of his nephew, at noon last Friday, and left for Dickson on the 4:08 train that afternoon.

BEECH RIVER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

The Beech River Association of the Missionary Baptist church will convene in its forty-sixth annual session at Mazies Chapel, eight miles North-east of Lexington, on Friday, September 22.

The Introductory sermon will be preached by Rev. A. U. Nunnery, of Parsons, with Rev. S. K. Hurst, of Decaturville, as his alternate. Rev. Fleetwood Ball is Moderator, J. A. Deere, Clerk, and W. R. Carrington, Treasurer, of this Association, which is one of the best known Baptist Associations in the State.

HOLINESS MEETING FIRED INTO

It has been reported that the Holiness meeting, South of Lexington, near Piney, last Sunday night, was fired into, one steel ball barely missing the preacher and going through the wall back of him. Of course the miscreant or miscreants who did the dirty deed, are unknown—but the certainty remains that the Holiness or any other people will thrive on persecution. They should be let alone in their peculiar belief and practices, so long as they do not conflict with the law of the land.